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SUBJ: CAPTURED SOVIET EQUIPMENT

1. I TOLD FONIM EBAN TODAY HOW MUCH WE APPRECIATED COOPERATION OF GOI TO DATE WITH COL LA FON'S TEAM WHICH IS IN ISRAEL TO EXAMINE CAPTURED SOVIET EQUIPMENT. ALTHOUGH THERE WERE A FEW INITIAL PROBLEMS, THINGS SEEM TO BE WORKING WELL.

2. I NOTED, HOWEVER, WE HAD DETECTED UNDERSTANDABLE ISRAELI HESITATION IN LETTING US TAKE QUICKLY TO US FOR FURTHER, THOROUGH EXAMINATION CERTAIN HIGH PRIORITY ITEMS, SUCH AS SAM-6 MISSILE, OF WHICH ISRAEL HAS ONLY ONE IN ITS POSSESSION, US, OF COURSE HAS SUPERIOR CAPABILITY. I SUGGESTED, THEREFORE, THAT GOI CONSIDER FOLLOW-

ING PROPOSAL WHICH I WAS PUTTING FORWARD PERSONALLY BUT WITH WHICH I WAS SURE WASHINGTON WOULD AGREE: WE WOULD TAKE SUCH ITEMS TO US AND WOULD BE HAPPY TO HAVE ISRAELI TECHNICIANS ACCOMPANY WHO WOULD PARTICIPATE IN EXAMINATIONS IN US. WHEN JOINT TEAMS HAD EXHAUSTED EXPLOITABILITY POTTENTIAL OF ITEM INUS, WE WOULD RETURN ITEM TO ISRAEL.

3. EBAN NOTED MINDEF DAYAN HAD YESTERDAY BRIEFED CABINET ON HIGH VALUE TO ISRAEL OF US-GOI COOPERATION RE EXPLOITATION OF CAPTURED SOVIET EQUIPMENT. HE PROMISED TO SPEAK TO DAYAN TODAY ABOUT MY IDEA, AND BE BACK IN TOUCH SOON. AS  
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CONCERNS GENERAL SITUATION, HE MADE CLEAR GOI DESIRE COOPERATE WITH US ON SQUEEZING AS MUCH OUT OF SOVIET EQUIPMENT AS FAST AS POSSIBLE.  
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